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Dear Dan:

The Commission of Government Forecasting and Accountability (GFGA) requested a formal response to a question asked at the last Tinley Park Mental Health Center CFGA Hearing. The question was regarding whether or not the "purchase of care" contracts that DHS will be entering into with Providers for services are subject to Request for Proposal solicitation. These services were previously offered by the Tinley Park Mental Health Center (MHC).

I reviewed the information in emails and discussed this with personnel from DHS's Mental Health Division. It is my understanding that these services are being provided by the Tinley Park MHC, as well as by Providers who are already under contract with DHS. Various governmental entities who currently utilize Tinley Park MHC's services will be sending their clients to these Provider's after Tinley Park MHC closes. The Providers will be offering the same services they are under contract for, just providing it to more people. These services being provided were procured as a purchase-of-care and are not subject to the Procurement Code. Therefore, no Request for Proposal (RFP) is required for the services.

Please let me know if you need additional information or have any questions.

Sincerely,

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